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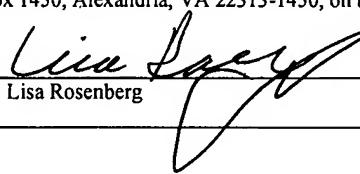
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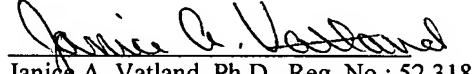
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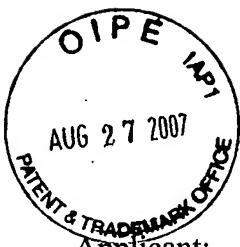
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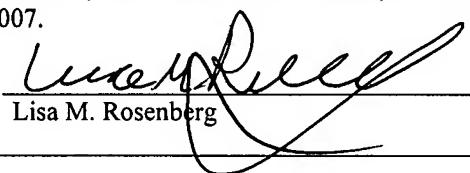
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**STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF**  
**DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98**

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

**PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97**

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits in the above-identified case.

No fee or certification is required.

**PART II: Information Cited**

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed search report or other communication from a corresponding International or Foreign National Application.

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Mailing Date</u>	<u>Type(s) of Correspondence</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>
PCT/US03/21034	November 26, 2003	International Search Report	H0535.70016WO00

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>
10/031,673	06-03-2002	Green et al.	*H0535.70014US00
10/031,833	06-10-2002	Green et al.	*H0535.70013US00

\*A copy of this reference is not provided as the Office has waived the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(iii) for submitting a copy of a cited U.S. patent application if it is scanned to the Image File Wrapper system and is available on Private PAIR.

### PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08) be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

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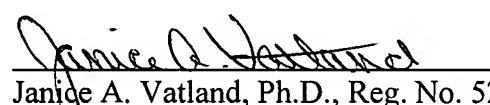
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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his or her own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

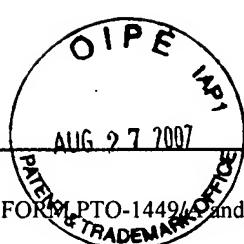
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### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		Number	Kind Code		
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	B5	WO	98/08897	A1	Societe de Conseils de Recherches Et D'Applications Scientifiques	03-05-1998	Y-Abs
	B6	WO	01/06829	A2	Pericor Science, Inc.	02-01-2001	
	B7	WO	01/07009	A1	Pericor Science, Inc.	02-01-2001	
	B8	WO	02/07707	A2	Pericor Science, Inc.	01-31-2002	

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